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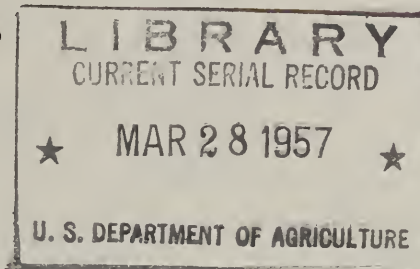
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ADE BRANCH MEMORANDUM NO. 501.3
Supplement No. 5



To : All ADE Field Activities Stations
From : R. J. Anderson, Chief of Branch
Subject: Monthly Report of Station Activities

I PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to call your attention to ADE Branch Memorandum No. 501.3 and Supplements.

II GENERAL

Each month the Branch must send a large number of wires to stations which have not rendered a report, have failed to mention one or more of the diseases listed in that memorandum and supplements, or have not worded their report of certain diseases in a manner that enables us to extract the necessary information from it. Wiring field stations is expensive and creates additional work at the station, as well as in this office. If all ADE Monthly Reports of Station Activities would conform closely to the memorandums concerned, the number of wires exchanged can be reduced to a minimum.

The Branch's monthly "Animal Morbidity Report" has been distributed regularly for almost one year. At this time we are trying to improve the overall accuracy of the report in order that it may reflect the true incidence of the diseases covered as closely as possible. Each field station should review all of the various sources of information available concerning reports of the diseases within the respective States. We prefer to leave the matter of extracting figures from reports rendered by practicing veterinarians and from other sources to the discretion of the Inspector-in-Charge; however, it seems that such figures would ordinarily be included unless you believe for a particular reason that certain ones should be excluded from your report.

If you have not already done so, some system should be established so that any information brought to your attention after the Monthly Activities Report is completed will be properly carried forward and included on your subsequent monthly report. In reporting cases of rabies and other diseases, an attempt should be made to indicate whether there is a duplication of clinical and laboratory cases, or whether they are entirely separate.

R. J. Anderson

